

### **IC 20-10.1-25.3**

#### **Chapter 25.3. Technology Plan Grant Program**

### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-1**

#### **"Grant"**

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "grant" refers to a technology plan grant under this chapter.

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81.*

### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-2**

#### **"Group"**

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "group" includes the school corporations that are placed in a group of school corporations under this chapter.

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81.*

### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-2.5**

#### **"School corporation"**

Sec. 2.5. As used in this chapter, "school corporation" includes, except as otherwise provided in this chapter, the Indiana School for the Deaf established by IC 20-16 and the Indiana School for the Blind established by IC 20-15.

*As added by P.L.234-2001, SEC.1.*

### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-3**

#### **"Technology plan"**

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "technology plan" refers to a technology plan developed under IC 20-10.1-25-1.2.

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81.*

### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-4**

#### **Establishment**

Sec. 4. There is established a technology plan grant program.

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81.*

### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-5**

#### **Funding and administration**

Sec. 5. The department shall fund and administer the program.

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81. Amended by P.L.260-1997(ss), SEC.73.*

### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-6**

#### **Qualifications for technology plan grant**

Sec. 6. A school corporation qualifies for a technology plan grant under this chapter when the technology plan of the school corporation developed under IC 20-10.1-25-1.2 is approved by the department. For purposes of determining whether a school corporation qualifies for a grant under this chapter, the department shall:

- (1) review;

- (2) suggest changes;
- (3) approve; or
- (4) reject;

a school corporation's technology plan. However, before the department may approve a technology plan, the department must consult with the corporation for educational technology (established by IC 20-10.1-25.1-3) on the contents of the technology plan.

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81.*

#### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-7**

##### **Delays in grant distribution**

Sec. 7. (a) This section applies when a school corporation does not qualify for a grant because the school corporation's technology plan has not been approved under section 6 of this chapter.

(b) The department shall delay grant distribution after the scheduled time for grant distribution until the school corporation's technology plan is approved. The delay is without loss or penalty to the school corporation. If the school corporation's technology plan is not approved by the end of the grant distribution period, the school corporation may not receive a grant distribution.

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81.*

#### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-8 Repealed**

*(Repealed by P.L.260-1997(ss), SEC.96.)*

#### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-9**

##### **Total grant amount**

Sec. 9. The total technology plan grant amount to a qualifying school corporation is the amount determined by the department, with advice from the council, multiplied by the school corporation's ADM. The amount is one hundred dollars (\$100). However, for the purposes of determining the ADM of a school corporation, students who are transferred under IC 20-8.1-6.1 or IC 20-8.1-6.5 shall be counted as students having legal settlement in the transferee corporation and not having legal settlement in the transferor corporation.

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81. Amended by P.L.260-1997(ss), SEC.74; P.L.273-1999, SEC.190.*

#### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-10**

##### **Use of grant**

Sec. 10. A school corporation must use a grant received under this chapter to implement all or part of the school corporation's technology plan by funding uses that include the following:

- (1) Support of the school corporation's remediation plans.
- (2) Professional development related to technology.
- (3) Computers in classrooms.
- (4) Computers for teachers.
- (5) Access to electronic gateways or telephone access to information providers.

- (6) The buddy system project (as described in IC 20-10.1-25.1-4(1)(A)).
- (7) Video distance learning.
- (8) Wiring infrastructure.
- (9) Salaries for management of the technology program.
- (10) Technical support.
- (11) Wide area networks and local area networks.
- (12) Media distribution systems.
- (13) Expansion of the 4R's technology program (as described in IC 20-10.1-25-1(a)(1)).
- (14) Software.
- (15) Library automation.
- (16) Indiana public broadcasting services.
- (17) Assistive technology devices for students with disabilities.

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81.*

### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-11**

#### **List of school corporations by assessed valuation; determination of group to receive grant**

Sec. 11. (a) The department shall list all school corporations in Indiana according to assessed valuation for property tax purposes per student in ADM, beginning with the school corporation having the lowest assessed valuation for property tax purposes per student in ADM. For purposes of the list made under this section, the Indiana School for the Deaf and the Indiana School for the Blind shall be considered to have the lowest assessed valuation for property tax purposes per student in ADM during the six (6) year period beginning on July 1, 2001.

(b) The department must prepare a revised list under subsection (a) before a new series of grants may begin.

(c) The department shall determine those school corporations to be placed in a group to receive a grant in a fiscal year under this chapter as follows:

(1) Beginning with the school corporation that is first on the list developed under subsection (a), the department shall continue sequentially through the list and place school corporations that qualify for a grant under section 6 of this chapter in a group until the cumulative total ADM of all school corporations in the group depletes the money that is available for grants in the fiscal year.

(2) Each fiscal year the department shall develop a new group by continuing sequentially through the list beginning with the first qualifying school corporation on the list that was not placed in a group in the prior fiscal year.

(3) If the final group developed from the list contains substantially fewer students in ADM than available money, the department shall:

(A) prepare a revised list of school corporations under subsection (a); and

(B) place in the group qualifying school corporations from

the top of the revised list.

- (4) The department shall label the groups with sequential numbers beginning with "group one".

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81. Amended by P.L.234-2001, SEC.2.*

#### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-12**

##### **Distribution of grant**

Sec. 12. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), in a state fiscal year, the department shall distribute grants to only two (2) groups of school corporations with each of the two (2) groups receiving fifty percent (50%) of the group's total grant amount.

- (b) In state fiscal year 1996-1997:

(1) the department shall begin grant distribution under this chapter; and

(2) the school corporations in group one shall receive one hundred percent (100%) of the group's total grant.

- (c) Beginning in state fiscal year 1997-1998, the department shall:

(1) distribute grants so that school corporations in group two receive:

(A) fifty percent (50%) of group two's total grant in the first year of distribution; and

(B) fifty percent (50%) of group two's total grant in the second year of distribution; and

(2) continue in group number sequence so that school corporations in each group receive:

(A) fifty percent (50%) of the group's total grant in the first year of distribution to the group; and

(B) fifty percent (50%) of the group's total grant in the second year of distribution to the group.

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81.*

#### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-13**

##### **Reports on use of grant money**

Sec. 13. A school corporation shall report to the department on the use of grant money received under this chapter. A school corporation that fails to make a report under this section is not eligible for a subsequent grant.

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81.*

#### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-14**

##### **Expenditure for technology in capital projects fund budget**

Sec. 14. (a) This section applies in a year when a school corporation receives a grant under this chapter. The school corporation's capital projects fund budget must include an expenditure for technology that is not less than the school corporation's average annual expenditure for technology from the capital projects fund in the six (6) budget years preceding the year of the grant. If the Indiana School for the Deaf or the Indiana School for the Blind receives a grant under this chapter, the school's

expenditures for technology in the year of the grant must exceed the school's average annual expenditure for technology in the six (6) budget years preceding the year of the grant.

(b) For each year that a school corporation fails to observe subsection (a), the school corporation forfeits a grant under this chapter. The forfeit of the grant shall occur in the first grant year after the school corporation fails to observe subsection (a).

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81. Amended by P.L.234-2001, SEC.3.*

#### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-15**

##### **Guidelines**

Sec. 15. The department shall develop guidelines to implement this chapter.

*As added by P.L.340-1995, SEC.81.*

#### **IC 20-10.1-25.3-16**

##### **Deposit of grants**

Sec. 16. A school corporation that receives a grant under this chapter must deposit the grant in the school technology fund established under IC 21-2-18. If the Indiana School for the Deaf or the Indiana School for the Blind receives a grant under this chapter, the school must deposit the grant in an account or fund that the school uses exclusively for the funding of technology.

*As added by P.L.77-1999, SEC.4. Amended by P.L.234-2001, SEC.4.*